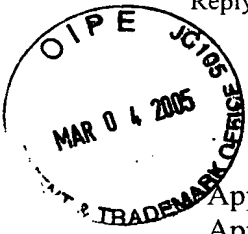


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Please amend the application and consider the remarks as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of  
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